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REPORT SOVIET PLANS FOR SATELLITE CONTROL ADMINISTRATION

Berlin, 22 September (Nafen) -- According to reports reaching here, the Soviets are preparing plans to place all the Satellite countries under a single administration. The Soviets are being led to take this step by the deteriorating internal situations, financial crises, and increasing unrest in the Satellites. According to the reports, the Soviets will administer directly the foreign affairs, defense matters, and foreign trade of the countries included in this planned "Union of Communist States," but will leave local authorities relative freedom in internal matters.

The reports further state that the Soviets will exert every effort to conceal the existence of this centralized administration so that the Satellites will appear completely free as far as the rest of the world goes. Preparations have reportedly already been made in all the Satellite capitals to which Moscow has sent experts. In anticipation of the new system and to strengthen the desired impression that the Satellites control their own foreign trade, efforts are already under way to increase trade between the Satellites and the Western countries.

The reports add that it is considered certain that the preparatory period will continue for some time.

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